

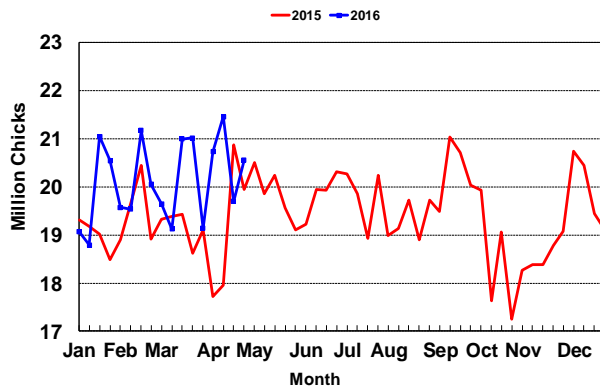


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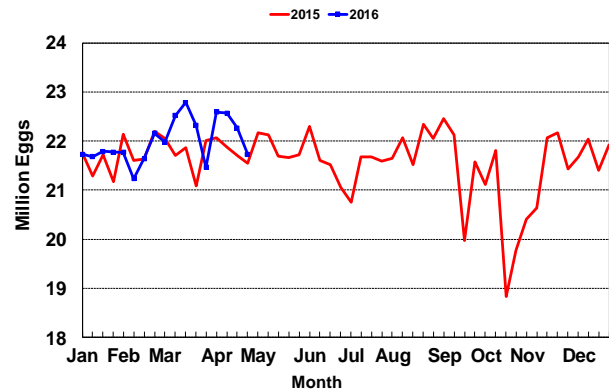
### Arkansas Chick Placements Up 3 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.5 million during the week ending April 23, 2016. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 2015 and up 4 percent from the previous week. Arkansas hatcheries set 21.7 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 23, 2016, up 1 percent from the same period last year but down 2 percent from the previous week.

**Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2015-2016**



**Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2015-2016**



**Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, March 26, 2016 - April 23, 2016**

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr	16-Apr	23-Apr	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr	16-Apr	23-Apr
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	28,737	28,279	28,070	27,892	28,830	21,062	21,823	21,659	21,558	20,656
Arkansas	21,467	22,593	22,567	22,262	21,730	19,134	20,728	21,453	19,699	20,547
Delaware	4,926	4,916	4,950	4,984	4,941	7,024	5,532	4,678	4,713	5,094
Florida	1,224	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	973	1,132	1,359	1,155	1,141
Georgia	34,879	34,573	34,684	35,213	34,589	27,814	27,512	27,304	27,698	28,369
Kentucky	7,511	7,707	7,866	7,892	7,996	6,426	6,476	6,096	6,121	6,204
Louisiana	3,378	3,606	3,742	3,772	3,695	3,160	3,210	3,083	2,980	3,069
Maryland	7,614	7,772	7,275	8,123	8,174	5,135	6,497	7,539	5,743	6,595
Mississippi	17,354	18,045	17,987	17,679	18,166	15,032	14,821	14,759	14,541	15,204
Missouri	8,094	7,398	7,725	8,117	7,526	6,032	5,628	5,514	5,568	5,537
N. Carolina	21,263	20,836	20,962	20,889	20,510	16,359	17,035	17,049	17,539	17,053
Oklahoma	6,730	7,057	6,769	6,576	6,749	5,779	4,588	4,042	4,690	4,588
Pennsylvania	4,727	4,587	4,663	4,806	4,645	3,621	3,640	3,795	3,625	3,473
S. Carolina	5,575	5,180	5,604	5,568	5,353	4,857	4,430	4,651	4,873	5,055
Texas	15,415	15,660	15,548	15,425	15,402	12,631	12,610	12,876	12,740	12,947
Virginia	6,339	6,402	6,556	6,571	6,587	5,183	5,288	5,162	5,780	4,800
CA, TN & WV	12,152	12,318	12,597	12,247	11,774	11,228	11,710	11,062	11,093	10,997
19 State Total	207,385	208,154	208,790	209,241	207,892	171,450	172,660	172,081	170,116	171,329
% of Prev. Year	99	99	99	100	100	102	103	102	99	99
Other States	8,558	8,185	8,234	8,299	8,712	6,811	6,477	7,278	7,077	6,922
U.S. Total	215,943	216,339	217,024	217,540	216,604	178,261	179,137	179,359	177,193	178,251

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 23, 2016, up slightly from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 23, 2016, up slightly from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 23, 2016, down slightly from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 23, 2016, down 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 9, 2016 through April 23, 2016 for the United States were 2.84 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.